

39. The audio entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the display is operable to display information regarding a current musical piece being played.

40. The audio entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the information regarding the audio information stored in the storage system comprises information regarding musical pieces currently stored in the storage system. *indiv TDC*

41. The audio entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the audio entertainment system is substantially only operable for storage and playback of musical pieces. ?

42. The audio entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the display has an appearance which approximates standard audio equipment.-- *well known*

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REMARKS

Applicant is in receipt of the Office Action mailed June 1, 2000. Applicant also respectfully thanks the Examiner for the telephone interview conducted on October 12, 2000.

Applicant has amended the title as requested in the Office Action.

With respect to the §102 rejections, Applicant notes that the cited references generally relate to general purpose computer systems that may be programmed to operate as sound editors. Applicant has amended claim 1 to recite that the chassis includes a front side, wherein a display is positioned on the front side of the chassis, and wherein the display is operable to display substantially only status information of the system and information regarding the audio information stored in the storage system." Applicant respectfully submits that this clearly distinguishes claim 1 from each of the cited references. The present application describes a dedicated audio entertainment system which utilizes a non-volatile memory for storage of musical pieces. A user is not

required to manually input a media such as a CD ROM each time a musical piece is desired to be played. The audio entertainment system also has a configuration in appearance similar to a conventional or standard audio entertainment system, including a display that displays “substantially only status information of the system and information regarding the audio information stored in the storage system.” Thus, Applicant submits that amended claim 1 is allowable over the cited references.

CONCLUSION

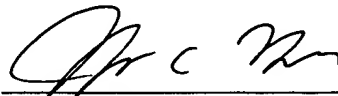
In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submits the application is now in condition for allowance, and an early notice to that effect is requested.

If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Conley, Rose, & Tayon, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5399-00100/JCH.

Also enclosed herewith are the following items:

- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☒ Extension of Time

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